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# CONTROL OF JUAREZ DEMOCRATS HOPE

Staff of His Financial Agency Say He Is Easiest Republican Crosses Border Into El Paso, Texas.

CARRANZISTAS ARE SOON TO ENTER BORDER TOWN

Await Only Approval of Amnesty Grant-Whereabouts of Rebel Leader a Mystery.

JUAREZ. Mexico, December 21 .-Dominated since November, 1913, by

The entrance of officials of the Carranza government is expected today, upon receipt of advices from Gen. Carranza that the amnesty granted Villa adherents by Mexican Consul Garcia had been approved officially.

agency of the Villa government was the country for Wilson to beat." taken as an indication that the personal control by the Villa brothers had

dexico where the Carranza control is n doubt is Palomas, opposite Columbus, N. M., which has a small garrison. It is not likely to be a disturbing influence in Mexico, it is said, uness Gen. Villa succeededs in aligning with the forces of Gen. Jose Rodriguez at Casas Grandes and attempts to make Palomas a port of entry.

#### Small Hope of Success.

In such event with the small force is small hope of success.

hauhau, the capital, arrived here yeserday hungry, unpaid and desperate. They said Gen. Villa left the capital about 8 o'clock Sunday night. Villa. it is said, told his generals before he left that they were all thieves, traitors

would have no dealings with the Car-ranza government, but would cross the border. He and other officers began packing goods to ship to El Paso.

Villa's Whereabouts a Mystery.

El. PASO, Tex., December 21 .- Deefforts of federal and state aurities to locate Gen. Francisco Villa, int whereabouts is undetermined today. Reports received in Juarez to the effect that Gen. Villa arez to the effect that Gen. Villa delft Chihushua City for Guerrero ere discredited here. It was stated at he had crossed the border, but hether he expected to remain in seusion was not known early today. A statement regarding the agreent signed in El Paso was given out

#### No Answer From Villa.

"Last night they telegraphed Francisco Villa the agreement which they concluded orally yesterday with the aforesaid consul to receive amnesty and to have their lives guaranteed, but obtained no answer from Villa. . . The undersigned, realizing that their own decision is the only patriotic one, to on this very moment, 12:30 p.m., they which amount approximately to 4,000

Therefore they do solemnly bind "Therefore they do solemnly bind themselves to cease to fight the government, placing at its disposal the city of Juarez, and also offer to secure the allegiance of the garrisons of Guadalupe. San Ygnacio, Villa Ahumada, Casus Grandes and other places where the forces are scattered, and they ask full guarantees for their lives and amnesty for political offenders, both solutions and civilians and expelience. diers and civilians and employes, and ask that the government shall not prosecute in foreign lands those who may not remain in the country.

### Full Amnesty Guaranteed.

military chiefs to assist in pacifying the country, and he guaranteed full amnesty for all lives of chiefs and all cofficers and soldiers, as well as civilians, it being fully understood that neither Francisco Villa nor Hipplito Villa, nor the so-called ministers of the Villa, nor the so-called ministers of the disaster. She was laid down in 1897, had a gross tomage of 1,542 and 1997. military chiefs to assist in pacifying was on board the vessel. Cabling his neither Francisco Villa nor Hipolito Villa, nor the so-called ministers of the convention cabinet, will be included in this amnesty. Mr. Garcia further stated that the government is at liberty to use, or not to use, as it sees fit, the service of these military chiefs, or to disband the troops Consul Garcia also offered financial assistance to pay the troops.

#### Plan to Resume Business.

NEW YORK, December 21 .- Amerioperation of their properties there in by Gen. Villa is ended. It is intimated today that the rehabit-

of February.

Before New York bankers advance funds for refinancing, the Mexican government may have to demonstrate that it can pay its debts. The exchange rate between Mexico and the United States now is in the ratio of fourteen to one against Mexico.

by mines.

"Of the ships destroyed 624, with 1,231,-914 tons, were British, which means a loss of 5.9 per cent of the fotal British tonnage."

Gen. De Wet Given Freedom.

Regard Villa Withdrawal as an Indication of Early

Peace South of Rio Grande Villa's withdrawal and the incorporation of his army into that of the de

(Continued on Second Page.)

# PASSES FROM VILLA T. R. WILL BE NAMED

in the Country to Beat.

GARY DINNER DELIGHTS WHITE HOUSE VISITORS

Astute Politician" Says His Nomination Would Drive 1,500,000 Taft Men to Wilson.

House today, some of them very close the Villa revolutionary party, this bor- to President Wilson, appeared to be deder town opposite El Paso, Tex., is lighted with the Gary dinner in New prepared today to take its place as a York last Friday night and its conse-Carranza-controlled port of entry in quent revival of the talk of nominating Col. Roosevelt in the republican national convention in Chicago. This opinion was shared by a cabinet member. two United States senators and three representatives

"We will all fervently hope and pray that Roosevelt will get the republican nomination," said the most astute poli-The departure from here late last nomination," said the most astute polinight for El Paso of Hipolito Villa and all his staff employed at the financial by long odds the easiest republican in

#### Predicts Bolt of Taft Men.

Then he explained, and the reasonings of the others were along the same lines, that if Roosevelt should be the republican nominee, more than half of he more than 3,000 400 men who voted for Taft in 1912 would vote for Wilson, again splitting the republican ranks man, "would be just as weak as would

s"Col. Roosevelt," asserted this same man, "would be just as weak as would be W. H. Taft. The Roosevelt supporters of 1912 would not stand for Taft, and would go to Wilson. Neither will the Taft people of that year stand for Roosevelt. I have no doubt that the colonel wants the nomination and is willing to take the chances of election. His adherents are going to make a tremendous effort to win with him. If the effect is going to be to revive the bitter factionalism within the republican ranks, create suspicions and anatomisms that can only benefit the democrats."

All the news reaching Washington is that Col. Roosevelt is edging closer and closer to the republican party and looking more longingly at the prize to be bestowed on the man in control at the June convention. Intimate friends of his, one of them a Washington to be bestowed on the man in control at the June convention. Intimate friends of his, one of them a Washington is that the colonel will never let his name go upon a presidential ticket again unless it is placed there through complete harmony of the republican party. They believe that the colonel is planning, if not to control, the convention for himself, to prevent the nomination going to some one he feels cannot harmonize the republicans and progressives. They believe he is sincerely desirous of again reuniting to he party he once held undisputed the says wover.

Says Roosevelt Will Get It.

An agreement, it was said, created a remarkable nate to Great Britain protesting against interference with neutral trade had been published in Germany. The note is said, created a remarkable note, it is said, public opinion of

surrender the chieftainship of the socalled conventionalist army. The parlies of the second part were and are
willing to recognize the constitutionalist government headed by Gen. Carranza and to stop fighting the said
government.

today, expressed the democratic view
this way: "Roosevelt wants the republican nomination and will probably get
it. We are satisfied. In my opinion he
will be the easiest man for us to beat.
If 'big business' wants him the democrats ought not to itiek. There

tania and something in the nature of a
disavowal will be the only measures
the United States. They are
also said to feel that the best disavowal which can be given was the
promise not to repeat such an act,
which had already been given.

Facts May Never Be Known crats ought not to kick. There is no prejudice in the democratic party against business generally, but it will not be good politics for big business to again attempt to control the White House. I do not see how Col. Roosevelt is going to continue to play the progressive game openly and permit

littics were not touched upon, but the megotiations. The statement that the negotiations in has gone broadcast that it was have been delayed for the time is the purpose of boosting the Oyster strengthened by the fact that Secretary y statesman. No matter what is said Lansing has not discussed the Lusitania reafter, it will be almost impossible case with Count von Bernstorff since the pereafter, it will be almost impossible to correct the first impression as to the purposes of the dinner. Col. Rene were nominated, would evidently heralded by democratic speakers ion-dollar nominee and the selection of

## TELLS OF HIS SHIP'S LOSS.

Cablegram Reaches Toronto From Officer Aboard Steamship Cambria.

TORONTO, Ontario, December 21 .-The steamship Cambria, formerly commander-in-chief of the Britisl owned by the London and Northwestern railway, but recently in the service ceived yesterday afternoon by Presiof the British admiralty, has been sunk dent Poincare. in the English channel, according to a entered the courtyard there were cheers Garcia (representing the Carranza government) answered that he received pearing in the Toronto Star. with pleasure the willingness of these Charles E. Harmer, a Toronto man, who

of the disaster. She was laid down in 1897, had a gross tonnage of 1,842 and British Claim Successes Against was 328 feet long.

#### LOSSES TO BRITISH SHIPPING. German Report on Vessels Destroyed

- Since Beginning of War. BERLIN, December 21, by wireless cans having commercial interests in Sayville.—"It is stated on competent Ger-Mexico are perparing to resume the man authority," says the Overseas News Agency, "that since the beginning of the the belief that the revolution, headed war to the end of November last 734 enemy ships with a tonnage of 1.447,628 tons were destroyed. Of these 568, with 1,079,492 tons, were destroyed by submatation of the national railways of 1,049,492 tons, were destroyed by subma-Mexico will begin not before the end rines, and ninety-three, with 94,709 tons,

LONDON, December 21.-Gen. Chris South African rebellion against the British government in 1914, who was convicted of treason at Bloemfontein. Union of South Africa, last June, has been released from prison, as have can sole leather will be stopped, and 118 other high treason prisoners, according to a dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Johannesburg.

# ANGER AT THE U.S. HALTS SETTLEMENT

German Official Action Delayed by Recent Outburst of Public Feeling.

RECALL OF EMBASSY ATTACHES ONE CAUSE

Note to Austria Also Has Made Immediate Accession to American Demands Unlikely.

Full settlement of the Lusitania case, including reparation for the lives of the American victims. which, it became known today recently was near, has been postponed by the dismissal of the German naval and military attaches and the American demands on Austria-Hungary as a result of the sinking of the Ancona.

Consideration of the state of public pinion in Germany because of these two acts of the American government according to reliable information reeived here, has caused officials in Berlin to decide that such settlement as might be satisfactory to the United States would not now meet with popular approval in Germany.

Public Once for United States.

An agreement, it was said, was praccan mote to Great Britain protesting

To recede even a trifle at this time Berlin officials were said to believe were discredited here. It was stated that he had crossed the border, but whether he expected to remain in seciusion was not known early today.

A statement regarding the agreement signed in El Paso was given out last night.

The statement says, in part:

"The parties of the second part (Gens. Banda and Limon, Col. Andalon and Lieut. Col. Paliza) stated that several days since, in the city of Chihuahua, Francisco Villa agreed with them to ourrender the chieftainship of the so-

ressive game openly and permit in any way. It is believed, however, that in any way in any way. It is believed, however, that will be the removal of the stone se again by a twelve-billion-dollar the ambassador was about to make or try estate of John R. McLean. Accordance in the stone of the ington is that the dinner given in honor of Col. Roosevelt was not a political one in any sense, and that presidential by both sides at various stages of the

case with Count von Bernstorn since the request for the recall of the attackes be-came public. Furthermore, no communi-cations upon the subject bave passed be-tween the Secretary and the ambassador.

#### HONORS SIR JOHN FRENCH.

President Poincare Receives Recently Relieved British Commander.

PARIS, December 21.-Field Marshal Sir John French, who recently was succeeded by Gen. Sir Douglas Haig as commander-in-chief of the British In conversation with the field marshal M. Poincare took the opportunity to thank him for the services he had rendered in behalf of the allies. Earlier in the day Gen. Joffre, the French com-Field Marshal French.

#### FIGHTING IN MESOPOTAMIA

Turks Along the Tigris River.

LONDON, December 21.-Parties of are holding positions on the Tigris viding arms and men-river at Kut-El-Amara, have been sally. Great Britain, he sa ing forth and attacking the Turkish fighting force in the various theaters of advanced trenches, it is announced in 1,250,000 men, and as the wastage is an official report on the operations of enormous the country must aim at get this expeditionary force. The losses of ting every man of military age who is the Turks since December 1 are esti- physically qualified. mated to have been at least 2,500. The statement is as follows: "Gen. Townshend reports that in his

estimation the Turks must have lost no less than 2,500 men in the rear-guard action on December 1 and in their abortive attack on his position at Kut-El-Amara during the night of "During the night of December 17-18 mixed parties of British and Indian troops surprised the Turks in their advanced trenches, killing about thirty

American Leather Under Ban. AMSTERDAM, via London, December 1.-The Nieuws Van Den Dag says it learns that the importation of Ameri-

and taking eleven prisoners.
"The 18th and the 19th passed quietly."

## TO WIDEN WISCONSIN AVENUE TO D. C. LINE

Highway Will Be Made 120 Feet Across From Garfield Street

North.

Condemnation proceedings are to be nstituted for the widening of Wisconsin avenue between Garfield street and the District line to a width of 120

promise not to repeat such an act, which had already been given.

Facts May Never Be Known.

Actually how near an agreement Count move the tracks of the Tenleytow line to the center of the new roadwa

"Friendship" Wall to Go. One of the results of the increased width will be the removal of the stone ing to the Commissioners, Mr. McLean s an advocate of the improvement.

The proposal to widen the street was discussed at a hearing given owners and residents at the District building November 18, Practical unanimity of sentiment in favor of the project dereloped, though there was a difference opinion as to whether the width should be 100, 110 or 120 feet

As it would have necessitated changny the highway plan to adopt a width of less than 120 feet, thereby causing considerable delay, the Commissioners decided on this width, and in doing so

## ENGLAND'S ARMY NEEDS A MILLION MORE MEN

Premier Asquith Tells Commons Wastage at the Front Is Enormous.

LONDON, December 21, 3:48 p.m.-Movng in the house of commons this afteroon a new vote for an additional million men. Premier Asquith made a general survey of the ever-widening theater of war and the increasing responthe British Mesopotamian army that sibility placed on this country for pro-Great Britain, he said, already has a

#### TWO MEN KILLED, ONE HURT. Firemen Go Down When Floor Collapses in Burning Factory. BOSTON, December 21 .- Two firemen

vere killed and a third was seriously njured when a floor collapsed in a ourning factory building on Cambridge street early today. The victims were Dennis A. Walsh and Charles C. Willett. William McCarthy, the injured nan, was taken to a hospital. The three men were fighting the flames on the third floor of a six-story

flames on the third floor of a six-story brick building. The floor above gave way and buried them. It was more than an hour before their comrades could reach them, and Walsh and Willett were found dead.

The fire caused damage estimated at \$50,000.

# TURKS SAY BRITISH WERE DRIVEN OFF

THE SEASON OF PREPAREDNESS.

Losses Heavy, Constantinople Version; Three Men Wounded, London Declares.

### PLAN TO KEEP FOOTHOLD ON GALLIPOLI PENINSULA

BERLIN, December 21, by wireless to Sayville, N. Y .-- Constantinople dispatches state that the withdrawal of the British squadrons of aeroplanes, resulting in from the Anzac and Suvla bay forty-four conflicts in the air, with the districts of the Gallipoli peninsula came as the result of a violent offensive on the part of the Turks, who inflicted heavy losses on the British and drove them to the sea.

#### Turks Attack Violently.

"According to Constantinople reports the Turks began a general offensive in all sections at the Dardanelles," says the Overseas News Agency, "The fighting was violent. The Turks began their attack at Anafarta (Suyla bay) and Ari Burnu (Anzac). The enemy launched counter attacks at Seddul-Bahr (on the tip of the peninsula) which were repulsed.

"The Turkish artillery inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. The Turkish sol-diers who had waited months for this moment showed intense enthusiasm. finally the Turks defeated the enemy at Anafarta and Ari Burnu. The enemy fled from the Turks at Ari Burnu and reached the ocean."

#### Only Three Men Wounded. LONDON, December 21, 3:55 p.m .-

When the British forces withdrew from the positions at Suvla bay and Anzac on the western shore of the Gallipoli peninsula their total casualies were three men wounded, according to an official announcement made this afternoon. Operations in sectors of the from

on the Gallipoli peninsula other than those from which troops nounced to have been withdrawn are to be continued, it was intimated in an official statement issued last night. The withdrawal was effected without knowledge of the movement on the part of the Turks, it is declared. Surprise to the Enemy.

#### "Further details of the evacuation

ment. "Without the Turks being aware of the movement, a great army has been withdrawn from one of the areas occupied on the Gallipoli peninsula, Ithough in the closest of contact with the enemy. By this contraction of the ront operations at other points of the front operations at other points of the was for years a member of line will be more effectively carried group of pantomimists. For

out.
"Sir Charles Monro gives the credit
for this skillfully conducted transfer of
forces to the generals commanding and
the royal mavy." Recruiting Figures Not Available.

LONDON, December 21 .- The eagerly day to Maclay Hoyne, state's attorney awaited figures on the Earl of Derby's of Cook county, asks that Dr. Harry J. recruiting scheme were not available Haiselden, who allowed the defective today, as expected. Premier Asquith

## TWO SMASHING BLOWS PLANNED BY GERMANS One Aims at Calais, the Other at

Egypt, Is Reported Paris LONDON, December 21.-Paris report

fermany is preparing two gigantic one against Calais and the other toward Egypt, in the hope of ending the war by smashing blows at these vital strategic points. German guns are busy along the west-

#### ern from but no further evidence has been received of an offensive there.

Battles in the Air. In an effort to prevent British aerial reconnaissance, according to a British extraordinary budget. official report, the Germans sent up loss of two aeroplanes by the Germans deficit and one by the British. Along the French front an incessant fire against the Germans is being kept

#### Berlin Claims Two Successes. BERLIN, December 21, via London,

:05 p.m.-A success against the Brit ish in an operation near Halluch, on is announced by German army headquarters in today's official statement. On the eastern front a movement by which the Russians were driven from a village before the German lines near Widsydey is reported.

#### GERMAN LOSSES IN WAR. Lists for Prussia Alone Amount to Total of 2,287,083.

LONDON, December 21 .- "According to the Nieuwe Rotterdamsche Courant the Prussian lists of losses numbers 390 to 399, contain 42,825 names, mak ing the total Prussian losses 2,287,-083" says the Amsterdam correspond ent of Reuter's Telegram Company.

He continues: "There are besides 234 Saxonian, 315 Wurttembergian and 240 Bayarian lists, 30 from the navand some lists of German officers and non-commissioned officers in the Turkish army. The paper adds that the lists are published in the form of small lists are published in the form of small newspapers and comprise 10,610 small printed pages. Printed as a book they would form 45,000 pages or 100 volumes of 450 pages each.

#### CHARLES CHRISDIE DIES.

#### Actor Who Played With Sothern in "Our American Cousin."

NEW YORK, December 12.-Charles Chrisdie, who was famous as a clown and pantomimist half a century ago. died in a physician's office here ear today, having been taken ill while of the Anzac and Suvia zones have walking in the street. He was seventy-been received," says the official statefour years old, and was born in Birmingham, England. He came to the United States in 1859, and for more than forty years was an actor, generally playing the part of the clown. He appeared with the older," and in the play "Our American Cousin," and "Our American C He appeared with the older Sothern was acting partner of George L. Fox. Later he engaged in the business of treatrical costuming.

#### Wants Dr. Haiselden Indicted. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., December 21.-

Attorney General Lucey, in a letter to-Bollinger baby to die in the Germanexplained to the house of commons that American Hospital in Chicago, Novemthe complexity of the task and the enormous difficulty of classifying the figures made it impossible to complete the is amenable to the criminal laws of the work.

# REICHSTAG VOTES TEN BILLION MARKS

Meets Demand of German Government for an Additional War Credit.

#### PROPOSITION OPPOSED BY SOCIALIST PARTY

Spokesman for the Majority Appeals to Patriotism-Additional Taxation in View.

LONDON, December 21, 3:38 p.m. - The reichstag today adopted the credit of 10,000,000,ment, the socialist minority of nineteen opposing the vote, ac- Central Powers and Their Allies Apcording to a Berlin dispatch forwarded by Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam

The socialists' spokesman Friedrich August Karl Geyer, accordng to the dispatch, declared that all endeavors for peace had failed because of the annexation aims of both sides.

#### Suggestion by Socialist.

BERLIN, December 20, via London December 21, 2:22 a.m.—The socialist esolution proposing a new levy of the extraordinary defense tax imposed in 1915 was advocated in the reichstag oday by Dr. Eduard David, the socialist leader, who suggested that this be ist leader, who suggested that this be called "the honor war tax." Dr. David's remarks were made during the consideration of the government's bill requiring corporations to accumulate reserves available for taxation of wartime profits, which was reported out of committee with resolutions for additional legislation against undur war ional legislation against undue war

The discussion was opened by Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the imperial treasury, who announced that the next budget could not be balanced without additional income, and that proposals for new taxation were being drafted for submission to the reichstag. Dr. David criticised the financial policy hitherto followed during the war of financing war expenditures through loans and demanded new taxation. He suggested taking over armament industries and mines as government monopolies for the purposes of additional revenue.

Rumanian border. It is a railroad terminus. This city and Burgas, fifty miles farther south are the principal Bulgarian Black sea ports.

On several occasions since the beginning of the Teutonic drive through Serbia it has been reported that the Russians would attempt an invasion of Bulgaria from the sea, and it has been said forces were being concentrated for this purpose at Odessa. Previous dispatches reporting Russian naval demonstrations before Varna or Burgas.

## Statement by Dr. Helfferich.

Dr. Helfferich, replying to Dr. David, sequently. ed the loan method of financing the war as a definite principle. He said that German financial experts were to be the latest objective of the Teu-convinced from the beginning that the tonic-Bulgarian campaign in the Bal-

to the government had been successful in this, owing to the fact that the war expenditures had been carried in the extraordinary budget. The budget of the first war year, he stated, had shown a surplus of 220,000,000 marks, and the present budget year would close either without a deficit, or with a very modest

"The drafting of the budget of 1916-"The drafting of the budget of 1916-17 will, however, be extraordinarily difficult," said Dr. Helfferich. "This budget cannot be balanced without new revenues. You may therefore reckon for 1916-17 not only a war profit tax in the final form, but other tax proposals now being worked out will be submitted to you."

## Says War Imposes Colossal Burden.

He declared that no matter how large | Mail's correspondent says: war indemnity was received the war ation after the war.

is not a hand to mouth one," the secretary said, "but it is based on a sober consideration of all the facts and possibilities and particularly on the demand that the productive energy of the German nation shall be maintained as efficiently as possible during the war. When the necessity behooves, how

ever, we, too, must dig down into our pockets and German capital must then produce money, not for 5 per cent loans, but in the form of taxes bearing

#### German Tax System Equitable.

Dr. Helfferich argued that the Ger nan tax system was more equitable than the British, and, continuing, said "Under all circumstances and regardless of the height of the war indemnity, upon which we naturally reckon, war will bring its train of colossal tax bur-dens for us • • No one in Germany expects after the war the same tax rate as before, but everybody de clares that we must hold out through out the war, cost what it may, "When the war is over any matters are arranged German patriotism will be shown not only in signatures to loans, but in the payments of taxes, loans, but in the payments of taxes.

#### DISCONTENT AMONG BULGARS. Represented as Resentful at Arro-

We need such patriotism, and it is to be hoped that we will never falter otherwise.

gance of German Officers. PARIS. December 21 .- A Rome dis patch to the Havas Agency, dated December 20, says the newspaper Secolo Agency today gave out the following has received from its Seres (Macedonia) correspondent the following: "Russophile Bulgarian deserters report that the discontent with the Gerofficers' arrogance is increasing in Bulgarian army. Near Strumitsa a the Bulgarian army. Near Strumitsa a Bulgarian soldier fired three revolver shots at Gen. Theodoroff (Bulgarian) He missed his aim, but killed the gen-

eral's aid-de-camp. The soldier was

#### Plan to Close Dutch Frontier.

AMSTERDAM, via London, December learns from Oldenzaal, Holland, that owing to the increasing number of war prisoners escaping over the German.

Of Novogeorgievsk, which was captured Dutch frontier the German government intends to close the whole frontier with changed to its historic Polish name, Modlin.

# RUSSIANS REPORTED OFF BULGAR COAST WITH TRANSPORTS

War Vessels Serving as Convoys Asserted to Be Bombarding Varna.

## TEUTONIC-BULGAR DRIVE ON DURAZZO IS EXPECTED

Movement Regarded as Effort to Forestall Italian Occupation of Coast.

000 marks asked by the govern- GREEKS FACE AN INVASION

parently Determined to Attack Entente Forces at Saloniki.

LONDON, December 21, 12:57 o.m.-Arrival of a Russian expedition off the Bulgarian coast is reported by the Athens correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company. He says:

"A Russian cruiser and two destroyers which are convoying sixteen transports filled with troops have arrived off the Bulgarian coast, and are bombarding Varna vigorously.'

#### Leading Black Sea Port.

Rumanian border. It is a railroad ter-

iemonstrations before Varna or Burgas, land troops, were not borne out sub

Durazzo May Be Objective. The Albanian port of Durazzo is said

convinced from the beginning that the so-called British system of financing the war by immediate taxation could not succeed, but that this did not mean that the taxation screw should not be tightened during the war.

Dr. Heifferich said that the government had only wished to spare the people increased taxation so long as there was no compelling necessity for it, and was determined to refrain from higher taxes so long as the ordinary budget it. taxes so long as the ordinary budget it is reported the Bulgarians are incould be balanced without them. Hither-trenching themselves along the Serbotrenching themselves along the Serbo

> The first concrete evidence of friction between Greeks and Bulgarians comes from Epirus, where Bulgarian bands and Greek forces, according to press dispatches, have come in conflict. A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Athens, coming by way of Messina, re-ports that the Greek troops have occupied Doiran station and town, thus interposing themselves between the en-tente allies' line and the Bulgarians, The correspondent also gives the port that Greek troops have his brush with the Bulgarians in Albar

#### Advance Believed Certain.

Telegraphing from Saloniki, the Dally "Everything points to the belief that ould impose a colossal burden of tax- despite Greece's protests, the Austroation on the Germans, and they must, Germans, Turks and Bulgarians will therefore, expect greatly increased tax- cross the Greek frontier directly they are ready. It is reliably reported that financial policy during the war the Turks have concentrated two divi-

> Greece will interfere seriously, as must grant the same facilities to central powers as she accorded must grant the same facilities to the central powers as she accorded the entente allies if the present policy of neutrality prevails. While the Germans, Austrians, Bulgarians and Turks are concentrating troops along the front of Greece's Macedonian border the entente allies are ceaselessly debarking men and munitions at Saloniki. Several months will be necessary, however, before they can hope to undertake an offensive on a scale which could possibly succeed.

#### Halted on the Border.

SOFIA, via London, December 21 .-The Echo de Bulgarie announces that the Bulgarian troops have been halted in order to avoid embarrassing the Greek government, while troops are gradually massing around Saloniki. It declares, however, that it may become necessary for the German and Bulgarian armies to invade Greece

in pursuit.

The paper says that King Constantine recognizes that the central powers may be forced by military expediency to attempt to expel the allies, and has cautioned the allies that they cannot expect that Bulgaria's respect for Greek neutrality will last forever.

#### French Reported in Clash. BERLIN, December 21, by wireless to Savville, N. Y.-The Overseas News

"According to the Frankfurter Zeitung, the Greeks, while withdrawing a tung, the Greeks, while withdrawing a majority of their troops from Saloniki, kept Fort Karaburna, which dominates the town, in spite of repeated French requests that they hand the fort over. Last Friday a strong French patrol approached the fort and did not halt at the sentry's call, whereupon the Greeks opened fire and the French fied.

Historic Polish Name Restored. BERLIN, via London, December 21 .-On the authority of Emperor William the name of the Polish fortress town